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**Testimony of SUZANNE D. CASE** Chairperson

**Before the Senate Committees on GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS** and LABOR, CULTURE AND THE ARTS

Wednesday, March 27, 2019 2:30 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 224

In consideration of SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 34 REOUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO CONDUCT A STUDY TO DETERMINE VARIOUS ALTERNATIVES FOR THE REHABILITATION AND RENOVATION OF THE STATE CAPITOL REFLECTING POOL

Senate Concurrent Resolution 34 requests that the Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) conduct a study to determine various alternatives for the rehabilitation and renovation of the State Capitol reflecting pool. The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports this measure and offers the following comments and suggested amendment.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 34 calls for DAGS to conduct a study to identify alternative solutions to address repair and rehabilitation of the State Capitol reflecting pool, restoration of the pool and related damaged or non-functional building elements, waterproofing to prevent water infiltration into the occupied spaces as well as basement parking, and reduction of water volume and consumption. It requests that plans be consistent with the United States Secretary of the Interior's standards and guidelines for the rehabilitation of historic properties; and, to that end, requires that the consideration of alternatives be a product of collaboration with the Department's State Historic Preservation Division, the University of Hawaii School of Architecture, and the Hawaii State Council of the American Institute of Architects.

The Hawaii State Capitol is a contributing building in the Capitol Historic District, which is listed in the national register of historic places. Senate Concurrent Resolution 34 recognizes the

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long- standing need to repair and rehabilitate the reflecting pool at the Hawaii State Capitol. Senate Concurrent Resolution 34 also acknowledges that the reflecting pool represent essential design elements of the iconic architecture of the State Capitol.

The Department believes that Senate Concurrent Resolution 34 addresses an important issue with the reflecting pool in a collaborative manner that will ensure the resolution of the maintenance and repair of the pools, while fully respecting and protecting the historic and iconic architecture of the Hawaii State Capitol.

The Department recommends including language to require additional collaboration with the Department's Division of Aquatic Resources to provide input on biological solutions to control algae in the pool. The Department suggests amending paragraph (4) beginning on page 3, line 10 to read

(4) Include any additional solutions; provided that additional solutions are a product of collaboration with the <u>Division of Aquatic Resources and the</u> State Historic Preservation Division of the Department of Land and Natural Resources, University of Hawaii School of Architecture, Hawaii State Council of the American Institute of Architects, and Department of Accounting and General Services; and

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.



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S.C.R. 34

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO CONDUCT A STUDY TO DETERMINE VARIOUS ALTERNATIVES FOR THE REHABILITATION AND RENOVATION OF THE STATE CAPITOL REFLECTING POOL

Chairs Thielen and Taniguchi, Vice Chairs Inouye and Ihara, and Members of the Committees, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on S.C.R. 34.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) supports this measure as it recognizes the challenges we face maintaining this character defining and highly visible feature of our now fifty-year-old State Capitol building. This resolution supports our efforts to rehabilitate and renovate the reflecting pools.

### More specifically:

(1) Work is now underway to complete the destructive, investigative study of the existing conditions of the pools. This will help identify and document the extent of structural damage repair that is needed to provide more technically definitive procurement documents. The current structural conditions are the largest bidding

- unknown by far, and this will help increase the number of bidders by reducing the risk of having to price work for unknown conditions.
- (2) DAGS continues to coordinate our work efforts with the Department of Land and Natural Resources, State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD), to ensure we conform to the Secretary of the Interior's standards for the rehabilitation of this registered historic place.
- (3) Costs constraints are of prime consideration in our search for solutions.
- (4) DAGS will coordinate with SHPD, the University of Hawaii School of Architecture, and the Hawaii State Council of the American Institute of Architects to identify potential additional solutions.

We appreciate the support this measure provides to endorse our efforts towards successful rehabilitation and renovation of the pools.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony on this matter.

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Chairs Thielen and Taniguchi, Vice Chairs Inouye and Ihara, and members of the committees:

Thank you for this opportunity to present **comments** on SCR 34, requesting that the Department of Accounting and General Services conduct a study to determine various alternatives for the rehabilitation and renovation of the State Capitol Reflecting Pool.

As we all know, the Hawai'i State Capitol is a significant architectural monument, representing not only the work of important mid-twentieth-century architects but the will of the people of Hawai'i half a century ago. Last week's symposium marking the 50th anniversary of the building's completion is testimony to its significance in our lives. Unfortunately, the reflecting pool has never functioned properly. Intended to represent the ocean surrounding the Hawaiian Islands, it was always an integral part of the design. Its loss would detract from the visual character of the capitol and would severely alter the overall feel and quality of the exterior spaces. I strongly believe there is a technical solution to the problem and one that DAGS could properly supervise.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.



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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
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### Comments:

WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THIS RESOLUTION & WANT TO EMPHASIZE THE FACT THAT IT IS THIS AUGUST BODY THAT IS THE BIGGEST OFFENDERS OF POLLUTING OUR HONOLULU SHORELINE, SINCE YOU CONTINUE TO POUR YOUR WASTE WATER FROM THE REFLECTING POOL STRAIGHT INTO THE STORM DRAIN THAT FLOWS DIRECTLY TO HONOLULU HARBOR. WE REQUEST A STUDY TO BE CONDUCTED TO DETERMINE THE NEGATIVE EFFECTS ON HONOLULU HARBOR BY EMPTYING 4 MILLION GALLONS OF WATE WSTER INTO THE STORM DRAIN.